

WHAT'S IMPORTANT

Some things that were important to me once
are even more important to me now.

Other things that weren't important to me then
are even less important to me now.

A few things that were never important
have become somewhat important

while one or two things that were neither
important nor unimportant

drift along unresolved.

I don't know how important it is to resolve them.

All I know is
there's no sense going around

impressed with your own importance
when you're really not important

and everyone knows you're not
and it's really not important that you're not.

EGG SALAD SANDWICH

Listening to Mozart while eating
an egg salad sandwich I
start to picture Mozart eating
an egg salad sandwich
which is strange because
you'd think I'd be trying to
picture myself doing
what he's doing rather
than picture him doing
what I'm doing who
after all am I to picture
Mozart eating an egg salad
sandwich unless I'm thinking
of those last awful days when
the critics turned against
him failure poverty etc.
those last hungry
days when he'd have been
grateful to have one.

-- Peter Morris

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